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The bringing into existence of a new thing in amusement, the popularity of thrilling spectacular lessons in history, taught by the exhibition headed by Colonel W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill), has lemonstrated the fallacy of the old belief held by amusement categors, i. e. that the public did not want preaching or teaching as a feature of their amusements. As the Wild West and Rough Riders exhibition deals almost intirely with history, and is a moving, living picture of the historical events presented, so far as possible, by the identical individuals who made the history, it cannot fail to be a teacher, hence it appeals to not only those who are seekers of amusement, but also that larger class, who seldom seek amusement for amusement's sake alone, but who are thinking students of past and passing events that have interested the world. A visit to the Wild West is largely a substitute for extensive travel. It brings into view, in its large arena, bits of life as lived m regions far remote. It presents events of interest that would, had it not been that Colonel Cody and Nate Salsbury saved them, have drifted into

new features this season-a band of eal Boers, direct from the "veldts of South Africa. Big, athletic, bearded specimens of the sons of the Dark Continent, whose struggle with the world's greatest military power has held humanity spell-bound for the past two years, Alongside these stubborn lighters will be ranged a platoon of their most gallant foes, also fresh from the gory "kopjes" of the land of gol-"veldt" and diamond district.

A detachment of Strathcona Horse Canada's crack regiment, recruited rom the Northwest Mounted Police. Canada will also contribute to the Wild West arena, this season, a feacure that has for fifty years been the bulwark of law and order on her wast Northwest frontier, a squad of the redoated Rough Riders whose Iron hands ave held in check red and white outws from the Red river to the Rockies and from the dividing line to far with

n the Arctic circle. A phase of life amiliar to the public only by reading f it, will be placed before Wild West judiences this season in the presentaion of a crew of men who have been ecured from the government life-savng service. This band of coast patrol ill illustrate the dangerous and thrillng methods of the rescue of shiparecked human beings on our stormy

All will remember the months of susnse experienced last summer when le legationers were imprisoned in Pein, and their final rescue by the allied orces of the Russian, German, French, nglish, Japanese and American solers, who marched through the lowery Kingdom to their rescue. This orld's historical episode will be prented in all its realism, in a gorgeous geantry and glittering spectacle of strife for power now taking place the Orient, "The Taking of Tien-

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∞∞∞∞∞∞∞ REFORM WORK IN SCRANTON

ADDRESS OF DR. LANSING AT ROCHESTER, N. Y.

It Was Delivered at Yesterday's Session of the Convention of the National Municipal League-Told in Detail of the Work That Has Been Done in Scranton in the Way of Improving the Morals of the City and the Administration of City

At the convention of the National Municipal league in Rochester, N. Y. resterday, Rev. I. J. Lansing, D. D. clivered the following address on "Reorm in Scranton;

Conditions.

Scranton is the fourth city of the state of remaylvania in population, It is thirty-rightly in size in the United States, having according to the last census, 102,000 people in 1900. It ies in the northeastern portion of the state, and s a center which holds within a sudius of wenty miles, at least 500,000 inhabitants. The chief industry is the naming of anthracite coal. To this must be added numerous manufactures varied kinds and an extensive local commerce is growth has been very rapid and the large najority of its people have come in within iting as a city. Necessarily it has many things the way of municipal improvements which re new. Its miles of paved streets, its public mildings, lighting system, school howes, fire lepartment and water works have been rapidly eveloped. More than twenty nationalities are emprised in its population. Of these a minority re native born, some from New England, some rom Pennsylvania stock. There are none in any

The very large majority of its residents are persons who have moved to this country from Europe to engage in mining. Of these a good oportion are Welsh; the Irish are strongly epresented; so also are the Italians, a large, haps the largest, portion are from Central Among all these are very many excel ent citizens. Naturally there are many, both grades of population, who, being ignorant and onstitute a lawless element. Liquor bound. Until this year, those licensed ave paid \$500 for such license. This year by he law of the state governing second class cities, he price of the liquor license has been raise he city about two hundred licensed saloo and some four hundred unlicensed. In the courty, it is believed, that the unlicensed saloot obered not less than 1,900, and in the two ljacent counties, Lackawanna, in which Scranin is situated, and Luzerne, not less than 000. These were carrying on business in the nest open manner. In very many of these saloons were gambling devices, slot machines and the like, while there were other houses in ousiderable numbers, used exclusively for gar

ent, they could only have flourished by th onnivance of the police and other city officials one of these officials the money which bought heir protection. Each and all of the numerous enfessions, which we have received, implicated sticials. The police received blackmail from some houses of prestitution, of which there were any, and left all practically undisturbed. W comen of ill fame then in the city. Their courses were fed from low theaters as on-curee of supply. Our agents on one evening ounted 39 men under 35 years old, who went on the lowest theater into nearby houses of I fame, within the space of seven minute ent, it may be inferred what was the quality The government of the city last year was

members, one from each of the twenty one wards of the city. These conneils have had the disposal of all the franchises of the citpaving, traction, lighting, licenses, etc. uncils were regularly organized for plumbe each of them were men of not le and spotic aracter, who were morally certain of the orruption prevailing, but who had no powe o prevent it. These councils, in their dom nant elements, were literally syndicates o rime. They were bought and delivered at xed price per vote. And over all this was vstem of political bossism, part and parcel of he system which has made the state of Penn sylvania infamous in its politics, which notor ously, freely and without shame, used more lay delegates and voters for any and al

The city of Scrapton has school houses of ti est modern sort. In themselves they are credit to the city. But they are believed to represent in their construction and in their upplies, a system of rottenness and plunde unlike the above in other directions. The ame kind of information exists about the board of education now that was in evidence a year ugo concerning the city government. In the case of the city government, we have now the proofs. The evidence concerning the board of education, we expect to get later. This list of civic conditions cannot be complete until we save noted that the jury system in our court was wholly debauched in the interests of alhe above described rascality. Our juries were selected by three persons, the president judge of the county and two commissioners elected by neonle. Of these two commissioners, one who corrupt character. This might have been in ferred from the character of many of the juries. Good citizens too largely shirked jury duty and the juries were packed with rounders and men of evil reputation, "Jury fixing" was com-mon, and, as we have proved, juries were de-banched and tampered with, sometimes by men leady allied to prominent legal firms, the administration of the laws and even their mactment were corrupted at the very fountain eads. Corruption was rife and increasing. The ublic was aware of it, but had given up in a cind of helplessness. They were indignant and if the municipal machinery from top to bottom. The newspapers were mild, and in hour the same attitude as the public at large. This is the merest sketch of the actual state of affairs in January, 1900. Not unlikely its general features can be too nearly duplicated in

The Agents of Reform.

The grand agent of the reform which has

eiven us far better conditions is the Municipal cagme. It scarcely shares this henor with any other agency. In a suburban section of the city had been formed, in 1808, a society of men, nown, from the section in which they resided, is the Men's union of Green Ridge. This so ricky for general improvement, had a strong rvie blas, and from time to time, through its epresentatives and invited speakers, had reportd on existing conditions in the city. At about he same time, a woman's club had been formed in one same section of the city, which, through its Economic Section, had taken a lively interest in certain city affairs directly affecting their omes, including matters relating to the board f health, the water supply, the schools, and he like. At a regular meeting of the Men's moion, in which the ladies were present, on Jan. 18, 1900, in view of some rew conditions existing in the city, the union resolved to ap-point a joint committee of men and women to wait on the district attorney and request his assistance to act against some of the more obta-ous abuses. Five days earlier, the first meeting t a few citizens, of whom the chief moverwere from this Men's union, met to consider what they could do. This meeting of Jan. 13, 1900, was practically the origin of the Municipal league. And they who met then constituted he nucleus of that working force which in the next twelve months was to whelly change the

By the Municipal league, and especially by its executive committee, has all the work been done, and to them all the honor is due. This league was composed of a few men, all of the very highest attacking and character.

They were men of unsufficed reputation, some of them of strong financial ability, and in this matter, having one sole desire, to work together for civic rightcourness. They agreed that this work would be long, ardious, thankless, and that in all probability it would run against all the forces of corruption, not only in the city but in the state. The local machine was but a part of the state machine, and the methods and principles, as well as the life of the two were affiliated. It was resolved to make no show, to hold no public meetings, to say nothing outside, to keep secret all our plans and work until uch day as the work itself should necessarily ome to be known. One brave spirit, by the nutual desire of all, was conceded to be the leader from the first, and to him all would gladly give the meed of highest praise. Trained a lawyer but not now in practice, a business man f the highest integrity, a philanthropist whose beneficence was unrestricted, anaffected, modest forceful, tactful, of the highest reputation and of equal resolution, this excellent man has done more than all the rest of us together. But be without him it would not have succeeded. This I mention, that emphasis may be laid on the haracter and quality of leadership which makes meress sure. In all the ardions and protracted work of this league, from the first, each and very measure has been entered upon with alclute unanimity on the part of the executive

mmittee. I lave been present at almost every meeting of that committee, and have never heard a selfish word spoken, or a proposition looking to any advantage for any member of the league Nor have I ever heard a vindictive word interest against those whom we were seeking to bring to justice. The first work of the committee, after organizing, was to select a suitable man to act as agent, who should secure the testimon on which our league's action should be based, flow important this selection was, everyone can imagine. And when I say that the man chosen was absolutely and in all respects equal to and even superior to his work, able, noble, trusty fearless, wise, discreet, and that he has gainer and held increasing confidence from everyone who ies known him, it can be seen how rare we elements which entered into his character and how invaluable such a helper is in such a indertaking. Doing the work from the highes principles, and indefatigable in the doing, we leader, more than to any other. He must needs organize a force of belpers, and this he lone, securing for the ardness and dangeres work men who have never betrayed a secret an ter, have been wholly unapproachable by an of the adversaries, 'b'bey deserve reward fat beyond the wages of their work, It also became accessary to secure detectives of experience for he most intricate parts of the investigation of the bribers, some of whom served us well. Oth beside my purpose to recount the methods of any of these, interesting as such methods must

Our Purposes and Plans.

These can be briefly stated. We purposed to gain legal proof that the laws were being broker and then call on the proper officers to enforce sale of liquors on Sundays by both the licensed and the unlicensed salcons, and natural sought at the same time evidence of the unlicensed sale of liquors. Very soon these wer duses. Gambling was openly carried on in mos of these saloons, and both the violation of the aws as to liquor selling and the gambling were o open and apparent that it was evident that he police had full knowledge of the facts. This implicated them as conniving with the law-breakers. And then we began to be aware that he police and the powers which made and oustabulary of the county were found to be o the same sort. It then being manifest that these officers of the law were blackmailing the lawless element, we must needs seek evidence of this. As soon as we went to the grand jury with our first cases, which had been prepared with great care, we obtained evidence that the jury was controlled by something else than the law and the evidence, and the farther we proceeded the more evident this became. While this worl was being done through our local agents, we put in the field expert detectives to ferret our the bribery of the members of the city govern

It need not be said that the discovery o rested in a mayor and two councils, a select bribery and the obtaining of adequate legal and common council, each having twenty-one proof of the same is one of the most difficult parts of reform work. Both the bribe-giver and he bribe taker are criminals, and they are like to act secretly with no witnesses of their was this crime among our officials that so we had collected enough proof to warrant ac-resting about a third of all our councilmen. And while, with great pains, patience and expense, this special testimony was being secured, other important lines of evidence concerning other misconduct and protected erine were seing followed, and are being pursued until this

Result in Fifteen Months.

What has been accomplished and what ar he present conditions throughout our city a contrasted with the past? A revolution so greaand so beneficent can scarcely be summarized in

The licensed salcons, many of which at the beginning were so confident in their protection that they defied us openly, are, so far as we can judge by a careful watch and steady in spection, practically keeping the law as to selling at unlawful times. Their number is about the same as last year. They still break the law against selling to minor children and yen; ing impure liquors. Up to this time they have licensed saloons there are none doing busines openly, and those selling secretly are detected and quickly arrested. I should say that our quickly arrested, I should say that our faithful agent and his trusted lieutenants, unde the pay of the league, are still giving close at tention to the whole fleid, and they know wha is going on. As a consequence, by the testi-mony of all the regular police force and all observers, there is a marked diminution of drun-enness and its attendant outrages for the last six months. A large number of the venders have been and are being punished according to law. So also of the brothels always closely allied with unlawful liquor selling. The minute of public prostitutes has been diminished be fully one-third to two-thirds. As to the number of these convictions, I ma

say that all the cases which we have presented in the courts, except three, have been decided our favor. When, at the beginning, the grand jury undertook to protect criminals by ignoring our evidence, we immediately took the cases to the judges, under the state law, showing that the accused had violated the law, and the judge being without discretion, were compelled to deprive these of their licenses on adequate pr of the offence. The judges accepted as suffici at the perof which the grand jury had ignored. So those offenders who glosted over having captured the grand jury soon discovered that they had lost much more than they had gained. All open gambling has been stopped. The slot machine save been seized and destroyed and their renter penished. We are sure to find the expers, about these machines, the men who protected they and the officials who took their money. When we raided the first two gambling places we could flad but two officers besides our own, whom we dared trust to make the raid. But we have captured and destroyed several thousand worth of cambling implements, and the gamblers are held for trial.

Perhaps the most striking success of our work has been in the department of bringing bribers to justice. When we had accumulated adequate proof, thirteen councilmen were placed cheler arrest at one time. This from time to time habeen followed by other arrests, until in all, twenty of them have been arrested, practically one-half of all the councilmen. One of the chies of these, a local boss, was placed on trial. He had been the representative of fourteen for whom he did the business of sale and barter Despite perjury unlimited, we made out a stron-case against him. The jury disagreed, but und investigating the jury it was proved that the had liquor in their room, and we believe also that money was sent in to them. For having the liquor, the most guilty jurors were brought before the judges, reprimanded and fined. This same councilman afterwards confessed his guilt.
At about this time, when the baseness of some of our jurors was fresh in the public mind, came an election for jury commissioner. Our noblest and foremost cirizen, who, as the cure executive of the Municipal league, spending his time and his money for months for the common good, offered himself for election to the office of commissioner, an effice

ticians, but so important that all the possibili-ties of justice in courts rested upon it. He was elected by an everwhelming majority, voters of all parties uniting to elect him. This was one of the noblest examples of civic unselfish ness ever seen in any community. And all this tended to increase public interest in the work of the league. We proceeded to prepare for a second trial of the "boodler" who had been previously arraigned. But now a proposition was made by their counsel to ours, which issued is the following arrangement: "Fourteen men guil-ty of taking bribes and then under arrest, agreed o practically make written confession of their of their plunder, the same to be given to char ity, and to sign an agreement that they would hold no public office in the city for the next

five years, on condition that a nolle pros. should be entered in their cases. Some of them farther solumnly promised to give testimony in proof of bribery in severa pending cases. We justified this method of disposing of these cases on the ground that with corrupt juries still holding over, conviction would be difficult, no matter how plentiful the roofs; that as these men were a part of the solitical machine to whom the boses were u influence, he given light sentences and soot pardoned; that in this case they would pose a narryrs and soon be again in their old business Some of these men who had made private con-fessions have since made public confession and have given evidence for the commonwealth Other cases are still pending and should go brough the courts and the convicted criminal should be in the penitentiary. Naturally we have now drawn very near to the bribe givers, and as they are supposed to represent a more reputable class of citizens, many of them of standing and respectability, they are fighting hard to keep themselves from punishment. Several indictments are still pending and there

The present state of the city is one of proto ise. In one of the unexpected changes in the political situation, one of our most reliable and espected citizens of unblemished reputation and director of public safety, where he has control of the police and the fire departments. His conrol guarantees a radical improvement of these bepartments in the interest of public order and mesty. His good influence is immediately aparent. There is an improved tone in the dein him is coupled with expectancy and gratin cation. At present a better state of things is prevailing than for ten years,

Such is in briefest outline a sketch of what has been done in the city of Scranton by few determined and public spirited men, talking little and working hard. They have made these new conditions by generous gifts of time, thought

Our city today is by far the elemest in all the region. If it was not worse than others it is now much better, and steadily improving, In saying this we have the warrant of abundan wholly reliable testimony, and improved

Further Duties.

ork. As it has not been our policy to tell and thus to let it become publically known, can say very briefly. That we feel the importance of holding fast what we have gained and keeping vigilant watch over all that we have begun. It cannot be expected that a few citizens shall maintain a perpetu-al organization to watch over the interests which we elect and pay officials to at purification of our jucies, and to make jury se vice by responsible citizens the rule; to e-vict all bribe takers and all bribe givers; purify the various departments of the m to organize the city in the interests o non-partisan good government; to secure, through the growth of public sentiment and public virtue, general co-operation with our urposes and aims; and to make it perfectly lear that it is wisdom and economy to admin

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audience to hear the fine programme given under the direction of Mr. Tom Gippel last night at Guernsey hall, for the benefit of the "Lend a Hand" mis sion of the Green Ridge Presbyterian It was most unfortunate that the

weather was so unfavorable, for it is seldom that listeners have been delighted with as charming music. The harp-playing numbers alone worth much discomfort of rain and the expenditure of money. Miss Dorothy Johnstone, the fair harpist, of Philadelphia, rendered several selections on a superb instrument. She plays with extraordinary skill and grace, producing the richest, sweetest tones. Her work in the Cavalleria Rusticana was especially pleasing, and again and again her hearers mentally declared that after all there is nothing like th

As to the Meal talent. If such artists as those who appeared last night were in New York there would be a furore over their ability which would echo over two continents. Scranton thinks itself flawless in musical taste and believes in the "self-possession" of such musical knowledge that its skull is in danger of being discovered with wide tissures therein. An excellent proof of such knowledge would be a trifle more appreciation of such concerts as that of last evening.

Miss Freeman's solos were rarely eautiful. She made a wonderful success of her second number, the bar carolle. Miss Allen never played better, her violin selections were notably effective. Mr. Gippel sang with exceptional dramatic power and beauty of tone. Perhaps the most striking feature of the evening was Miss Blackman's plano playing. She is an artist and no mistake. Her execution in the Gottschalf study was little short of marvelous, Altogether the concert was one which should be repeated.

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On Monday morning next the second ducational contest of the Tribune will begin, as has been previously announced. The contest this year will be on lines similar to those that governed the contest of last year, the mair difference being in the superiority of the special rewards and their greater cash value. The first special rewards, for there

will be two, are four-year scholarships in Lafayette and Swarthmore colleges. each of the value of \$1,000, which will be open to the choice of the one who comes in first in the contest. The contest will last sixteen weeks, which means a weekly salary to the first two contestants of nearly \$63 a week, or about \$10.50 a day for a working week of six days. The practical results of a four years' course in a great American college like either Lafavette or Swarthmore cannot be figured in dollars and cents-they are too far reaching to enter, into such a calculation. The young men and women who have worked their way through college are invariably the ones who are at the top of the roll of honor at graduation time, because they enter the institution with an aim and object. The Tribune will afford a way to attain these ends through this contest, and although our way will occupy only a little more than three months of work, the results will be accomplished as thoroughly as if as many years had been spent by the would-be collegian in his own unsided efforts.

These two collegiate scholarships are not the only ones offered. Another is a three-years' course in the State Normal school at Stroudsburg, valued at \$675. There are also others: five of them.

Those who start right in on the first day of the contest will, of course, secure an advantage that may be of great help to them before the contest is over. On Monday morning a full description of the contest, with the rules by which it will be governed, the special rewards that will be given and other necessary information will be printed in The Tribune. Any person, of either sex, who

wishes to enter the contest can send their names in and on Monday morn ing they will be put on the list. Books of credit blanks and a small book of instructions will be sent to them and they can begin their canvass at once. If there is any one who does not fully understand the features of the contest and are undecided about entering, we should be pleased to send them a detailed statement of the plan. Address a lettter to Editor Educational contest. Scranton Tribung, Scranton, Pa., stating whether you wish to enthe plan first.

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intimate whether any of the members of the force would have to walk the

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